

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

[Public Notice 11974]

30-Day Notice of Proposed Information Collection: Medical History and Examination

ACTION: Notice of request for public comment and submission to OMB of proposed collection of information.

SUMMARY: The Department of State has submitted the information collection described below to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for approval. In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, we are requesting comments on this collection from all interested individuals and organizations. The purpose of this Notice is to allow 30 days for public comment.

DATES: Submit comments up to [INSERT DATE 30 DAYS AFTER DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER].

ADDRESSES: Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be sent within 30 days of publication of this notice to www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain. Find this particular information collection by selecting "Currently under 30-day Review - Open for Public Comments" or by using the search function.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Direct requests for additional information regarding the collection listed in this notice, including requests for copies of the proposed collection instrument, and supporting documents, to Michelle Yelland, Office of Medical Clearances, Bureau of Medical Services, 2401 E Street NW, SA-1, Room H-242, Washington, D.C. 20522-0101, and who may be reached at 202-663-1657 or at Yellandmj@state.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

- <u>Title of Information Collection</u>: Medical History and Examination
- OMB Control Number: 1405-0068
- *Type of Request*: Revision of a Currently Approved Collection
- Originating Office: Bureau of Medical Services: MED/CP/CL
- Form Number: DS-1843 and DS-1622
- Respondents: Contractors and eligible family members
- Estimated Number of Respondents: 2,039
- Estimated Number of Responses: 2,039
- Average Time Per Response: 1 hour
- Total Estimated Burden Time: 2,039 hours
- Frequency: Upon application for an overseas position and then intermittent, as needed.
- Obligation to Respond: Required to Obtain or Retain a Benefit
 We are soliciting public comments to permit the Department to:
- Evaluate whether the proposed information collection is necessary for the proper functions of the Department.
- Evaluate the accuracy of our estimate of the time and cost burden for this proposed collection, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used.
- Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected.
- Minimize the reporting burden on those who are to respond, including the use of
 automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.
 Please note that comments submitted in response to this Notice are public record.
 Before including any detailed personal information, you should be aware that your
 comments as submitted, including your personal information, will be available for
 public review.

Abstract of Proposed Collection

Forms DS-1843 and DS-1622 collect medical history, screenings and physical

examinations for all individuals applying for overseas positions, including their

eligible family members. Forms DS-1843 and DS-1622 are designed to collect

sufficient and current medical information on the individual for a medical provider to

make a medical clearance determination for initial appointment to an overseas

assignment. They are also used to determine whether the individual or eligible family

member will have appropriate medical and/or educational resources at a diplomatic

mission/host country abroad to maintain the health and safety of the individual or

family member. The forms were updated to include questions regarding employment

agency information for non-foreign service agencies.

Methodology

The respondent will obtain the DS-1843 and DS1622 forms from their human

resources representative or download the forms from a department website. The

respondent will complete and submit the forms offline.

Additional Information

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